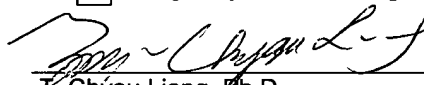
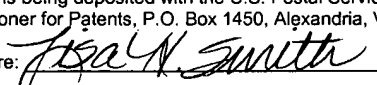
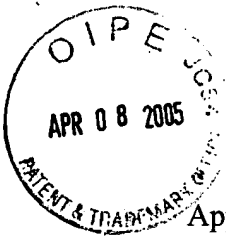


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Applicant(s): Masaharu Kojima et al.					
Invention: APPARATUS FOR CULTURE, PROCESS FOR PREPARING APPARATUS FOR CULTURE, AND CULTURING METHOD					
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2005, please amend the  
application as follows and consider the included remarks.